

(e) if so, when; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALIKARJUN): (a) to (c). In order to improve the reliability of services 319/320 Howrah-Mughalsarai passenger was bifurcated to run as separate train between Howrah and Mokama and another between Mokama and Buxar w.e.f. 22.12.87. Also, 400DN Mughalsarai-Patna passenger was bifurcated as separate train to run between Mughalsarai and Didarnagar and another between Didarnagar and Patna w.e.f. 1.11.88.

(d) No, Sir

(e) Does not arise.

(f) In the interest of present users.

Navodaya Vidyalayas in Madhya Pradesh

3078. SHRI MAHENDRA KUMAR SINGH THAKUR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of districts of Madhya Pradesh as on October 31, 1991 where Navodaya Vidyalayas are functioning;

(b) whether it is proposed to set up Navodaya Vidyalayas in the remaining districts by March 31, 1992 there; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) Out of 45 districts in Madhya Pradesh, Navodaya Vidyalayas are functioning in 29 districts as on 31.10.1991.

(b) and (c). The opening of Navodaya

Vidyalayas has to be done in a phased manner, depending upon the suitability of proposals, availability of physical facilities and financial resources. Therefore it may not be possible to set up Navodaya Vidyalayas in all the remaining districts of Madhya Pradesh by 31.3.1992.

Preservation of Ancient and Historical Shrines

3079. SHRIDATTATRAYA BANDARU: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether many of the historical and ancient monuments and shrines of South India are in a dilapidated condition and getting ruined due to the vagaries of nature; and

(b) if so, the details of the proposals before the Union Government to preserve these shrines and monuments?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) and (b). The Centrally protected monuments of South India are not in a dilapidated condition. However, monuments affected due to climatic and other natural conditions are continuously attended to for conservation and preservation.

[Translation]

Over bridge on Crossing Near Badaun

3080. SHRI CHINMAYANANDSWAMI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any scheme for the construction of an overbridge on railway crossing near Badaun junction is under consideration of the Government; and

(b) if so, when it is likely to be completed?